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SUBJ: REVISED GENERAL EXCEPTIONS PROCEDURE

REF : A. OECD PARIS 6639

B. OECD PARIS 7031

1. BASIC INSTRUCTIONS FOR MARCH 27 MEETING HAVE BEEN TRANSMITTED IN SEPTEL. THESE ARE COMMENTS IN RESPONSE TO THE TWO REF MESSAGES. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES DEL' S SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER REFINEMENT OF THE PROCEDURES WHICH THEY CONTAIN.

2. IN DEVELOPING THE BASIC INSTRUCTIONS, DUE CONSIDERATION WAS GIVEN TO THE TWO SUGGESTIONS IN REF. A CONCERNING THE ISSUE OF EXTENSIONS OF TIME FOR FINITE PERIODS. THE FIRST (STATEMENT ON THE RECORD THAT RENEWAL CAN BE INDEFINITE) WOULD NOT IN OUR VIEW SUFFICIENTLY PROTECT OUR POSITION SET FORTH IN THE BASIC INSTRUCTION. THE SECOND, WHILE INHERENTLY UNOBJECTIONABLE, IS UNNECESSARY SINCE THIS
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IS THE PRECISE MEANING OF THE PROVISION IN THE ABSENCE
OF ANY SPECIFICATION AS TO TIME PERIOD.

3. WHILE WE AGREE BASICALLY WITH THE POINTS MADE BY DEL
IN REF. B, WE DO NOT BELIEVE A PROVISION ALONG THE LINES
SUGGESTED IS NECESSARY, AND PROPOSING IT COULD HAVE
UNDESIRABLE RAMIFICATIONS. WE FEEL THAT THE BURDEN IS
NECESSARY TO ASSURE RAPID CONSIDERATION OF URGENCY CASES
AND THAT, IF IT DOES NOT DO SO, OTHER PC' S ARE IN NO WAY
REMISS IN AWAITING BROCHURES OR OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY
MATERIAL BEFORE TAKING POSITIONS. ON THE OTHER HAND,
DESPITE ANY ACCOMPANYING RESERVATIONS TO THE CONTRARY,
US AUTHORSHIP OF THIS PROPOSAL MIGHT WELL EXPOSE US TO
PRESSURES TO TAKE RAPID POSITIONS ON FUTURE URGENCY CASES
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